

Heat Sink Welding for Preventing Hot Cracking in Alloy 2195 Intersection Welds: A Feasibility Study

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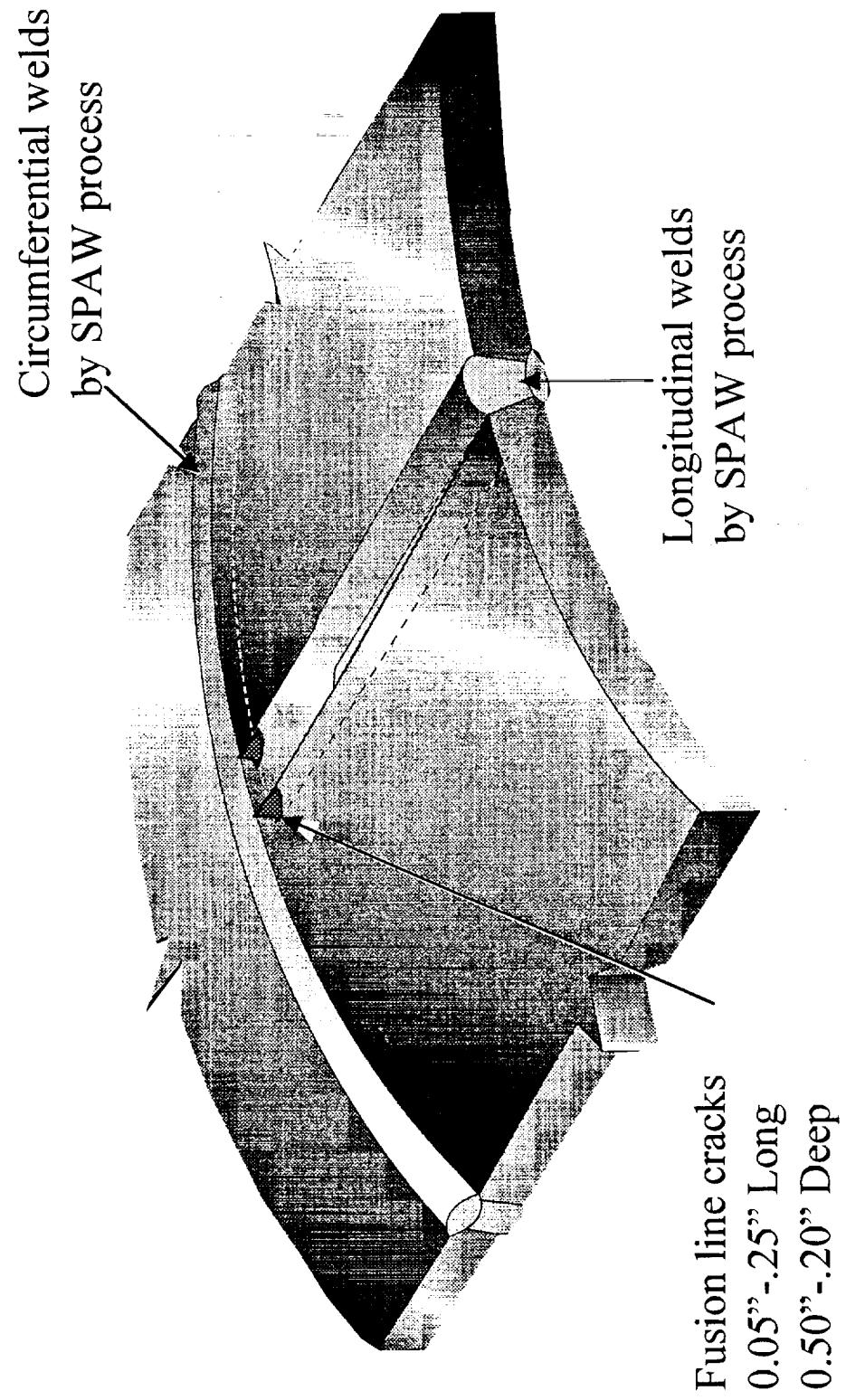
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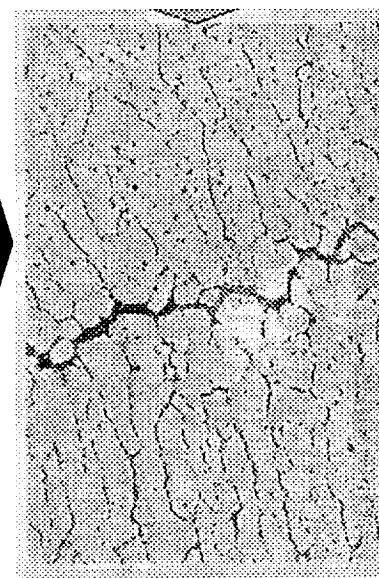
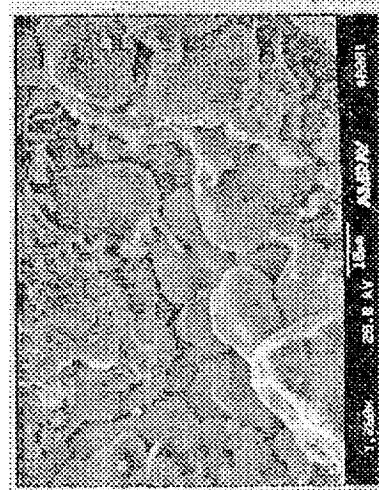
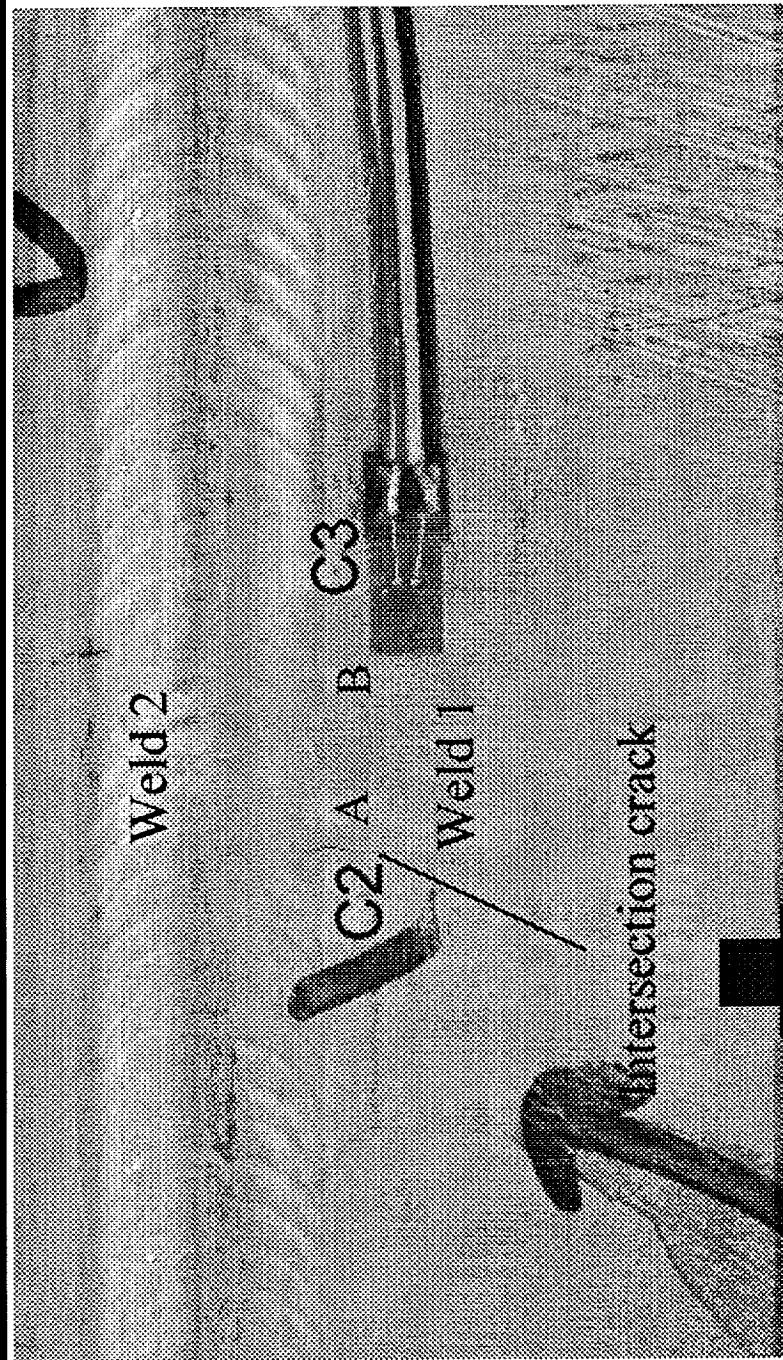
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Potential Weld Crack Sites of Concern



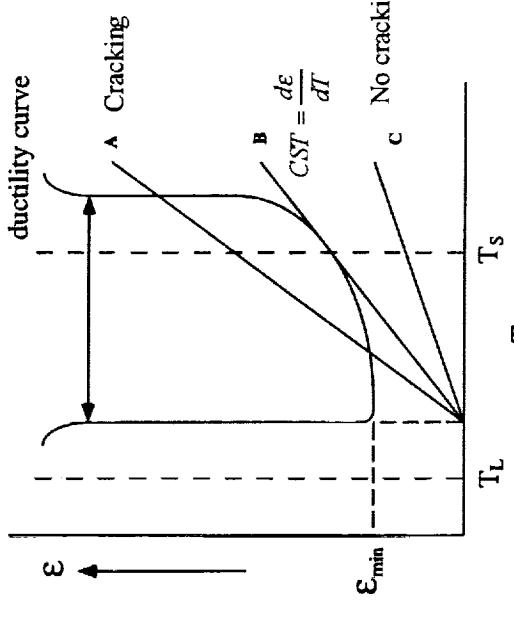
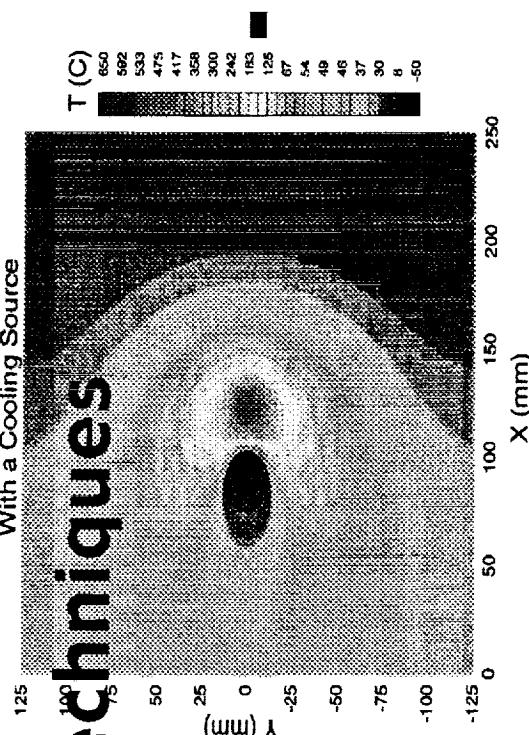
Intersection Crack - A Test Panel Weld



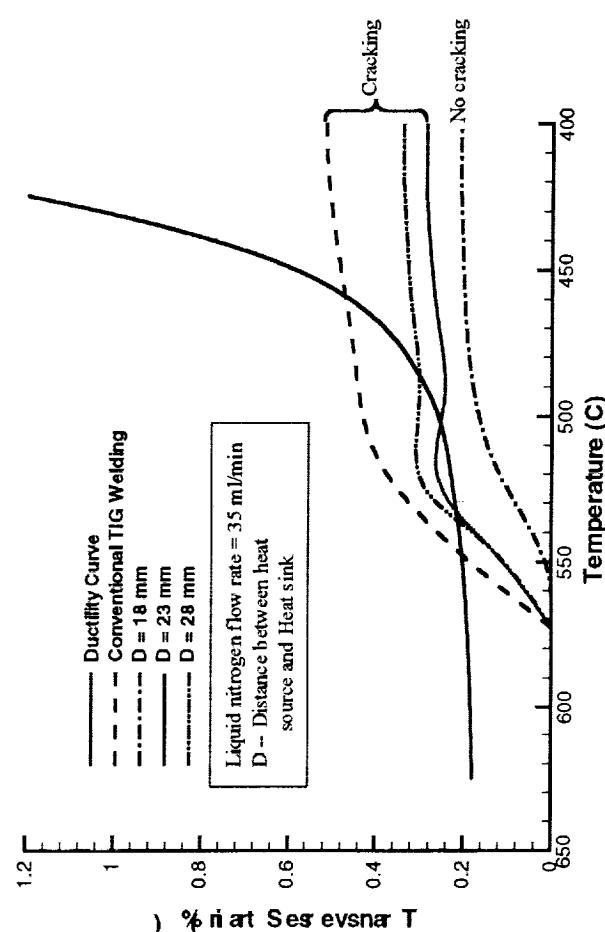
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Hot-Cracking Mitigation Techniques with a Heat Sink

With a Cooling Source



(b) Temperature Distribution welding with a Heat Sink



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(a) Thermomechanical Conditions Associated with Hot Cracking

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(c) Effects of Heat Sink on Development of Tensile Strain

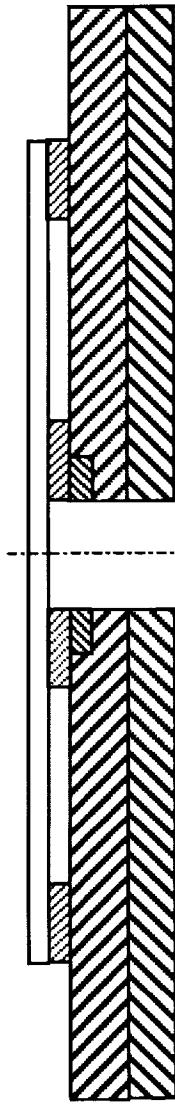
Weld Test Panel and Fixture for thermocouple panels

Front View

Steel Clamping Feet

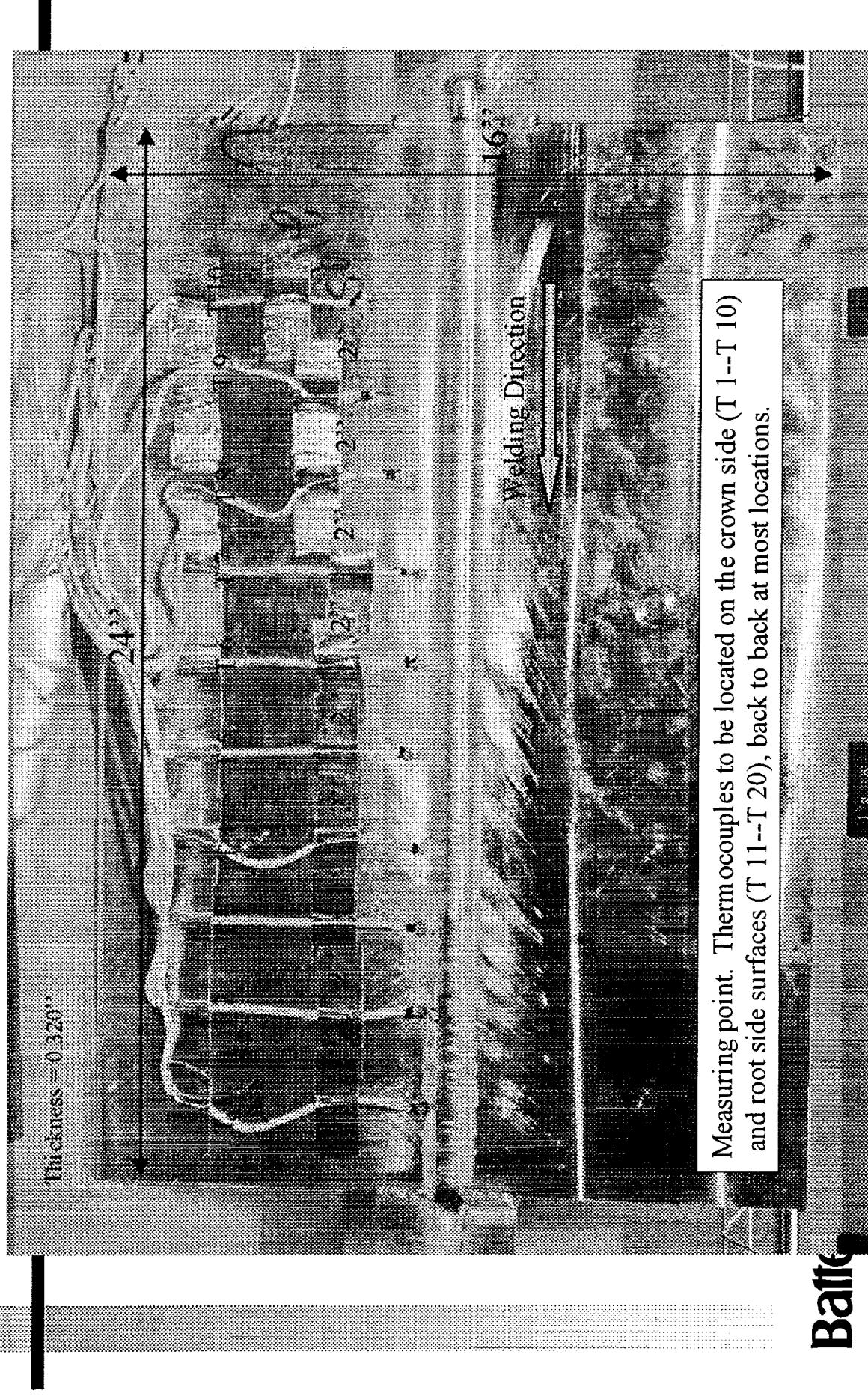
2195 Weld Test Panel

Cross sectional view



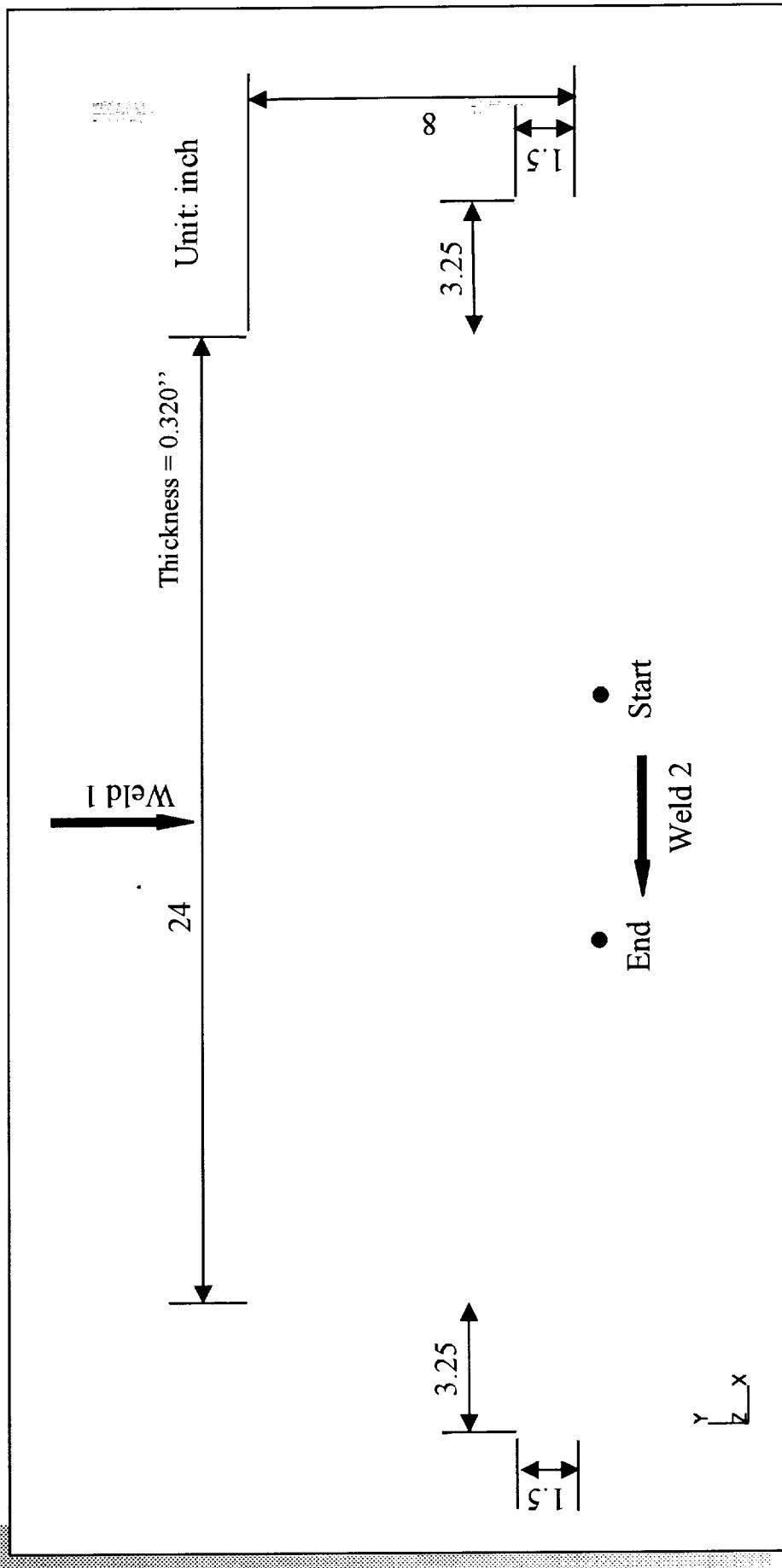
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Thermocouple Locations on a Test Panel

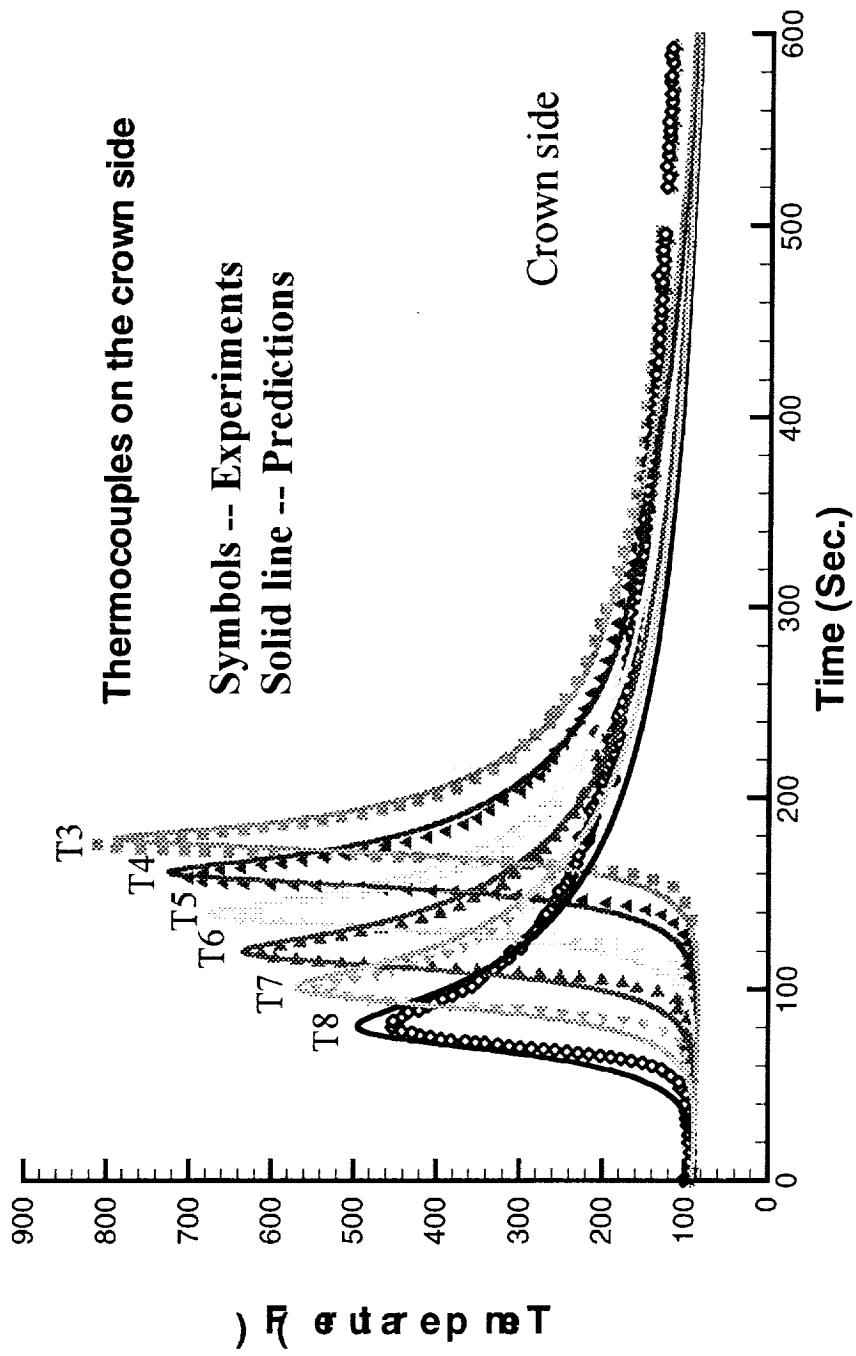


Measuring point. Thermocouples to be located on the crown side (T 1--T 10) and root side surfaces (T 11--T 20), back to back at most locations.

Finite Element Model (8-node element)

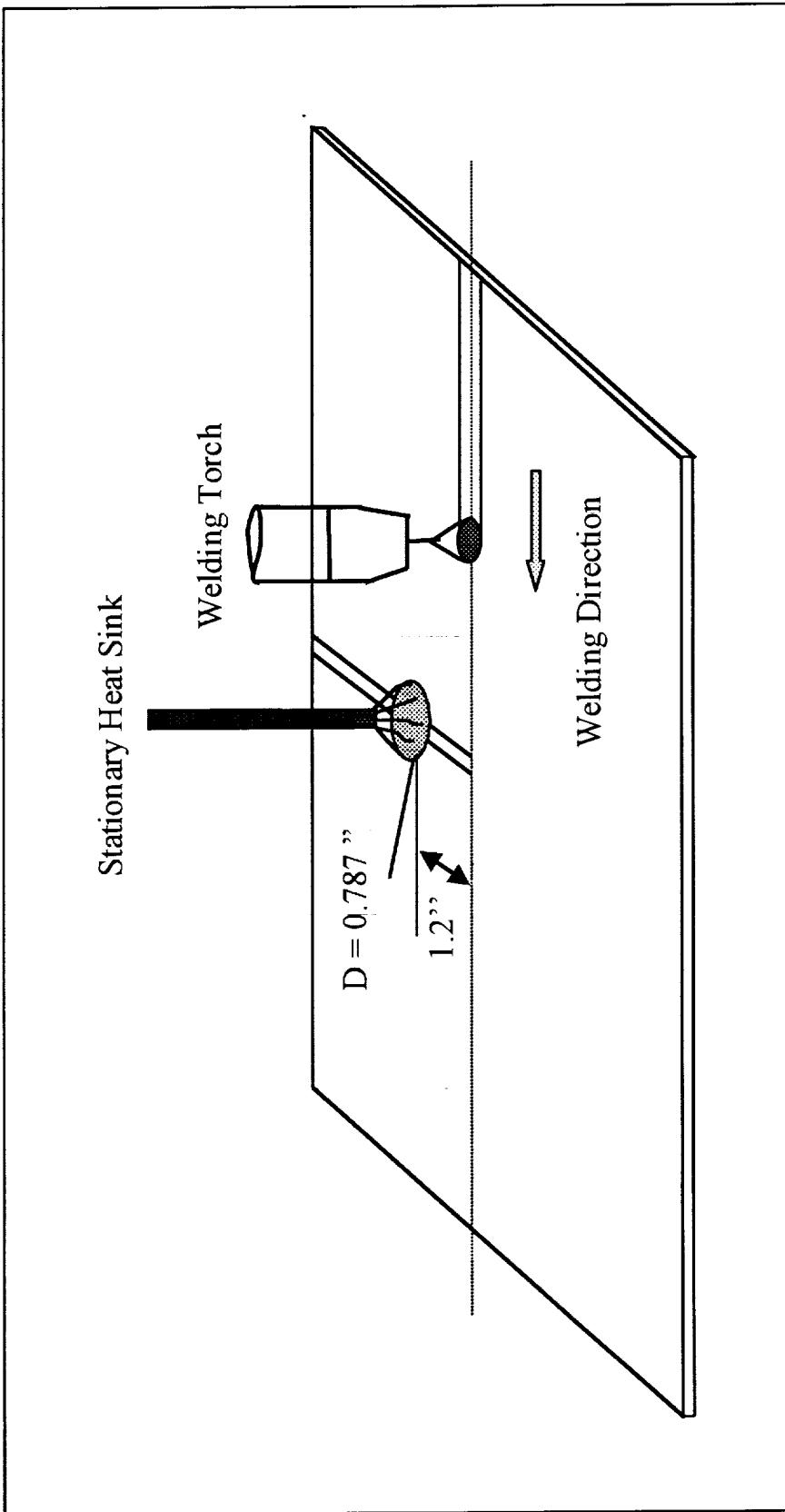


Comparison of Temperature Histories between Experiment and Prediction



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Proposed Stationary Cooling Technique



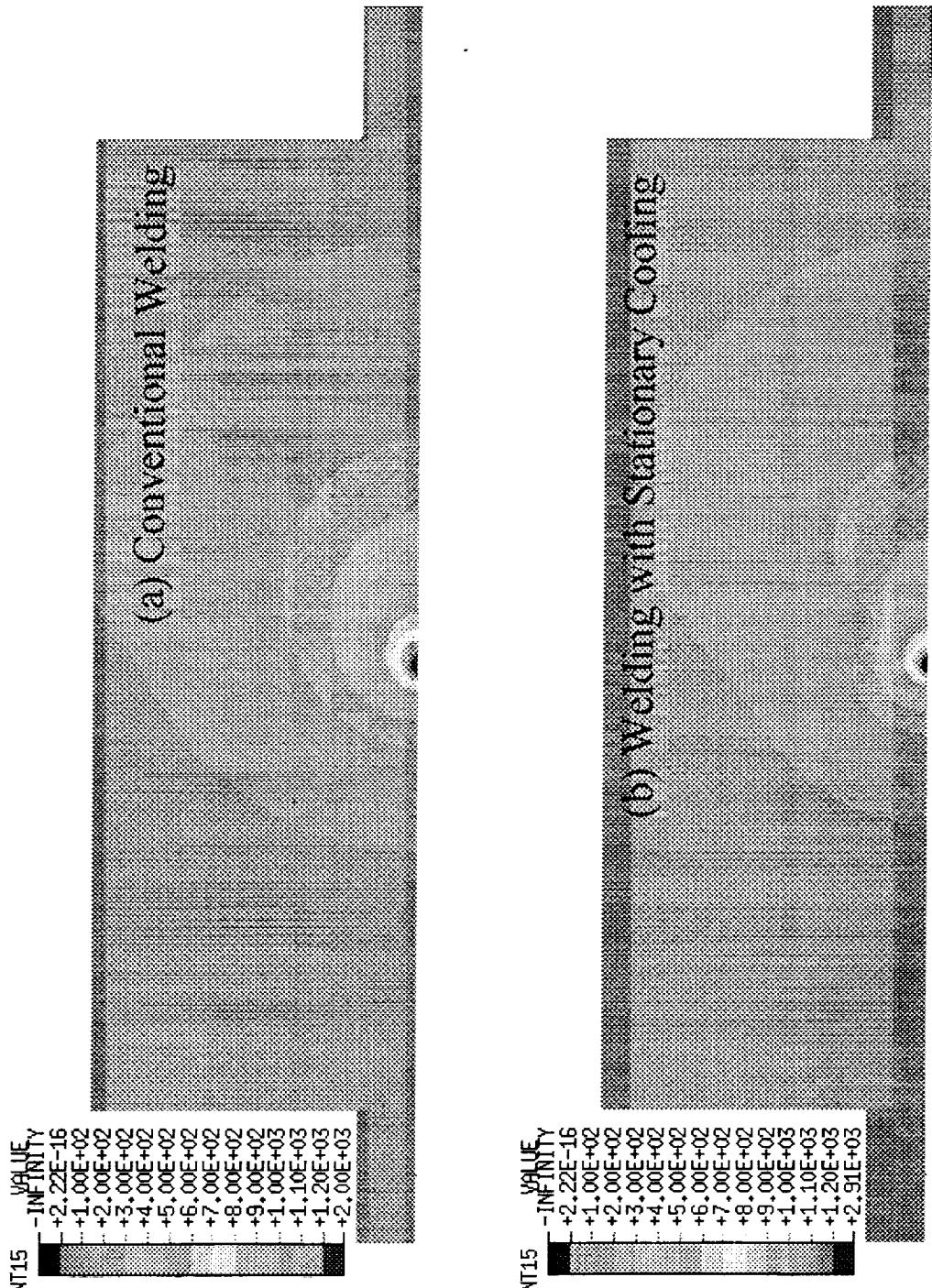
Cooling media option:

- Liquid nitrogen
- Water
- Pressurized air knife

Cooling device option:

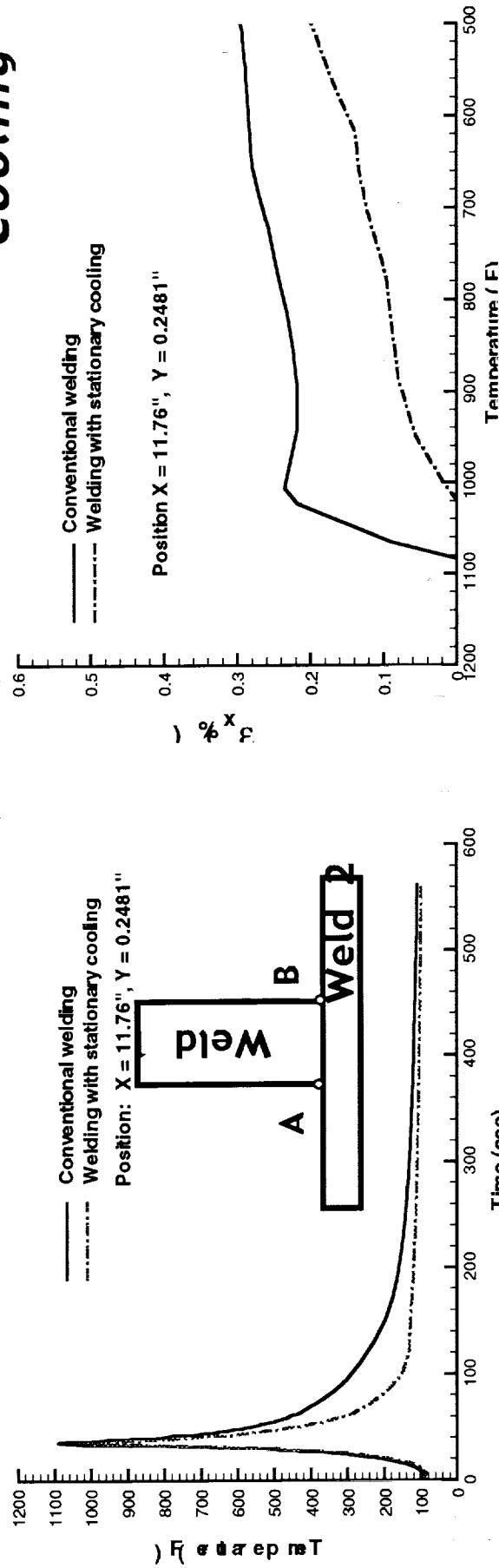
- Heat pipe
- Heat pipe with bronze brush

Temperature Comparison Between Conventional Welding and Welding With Stationary Cooling

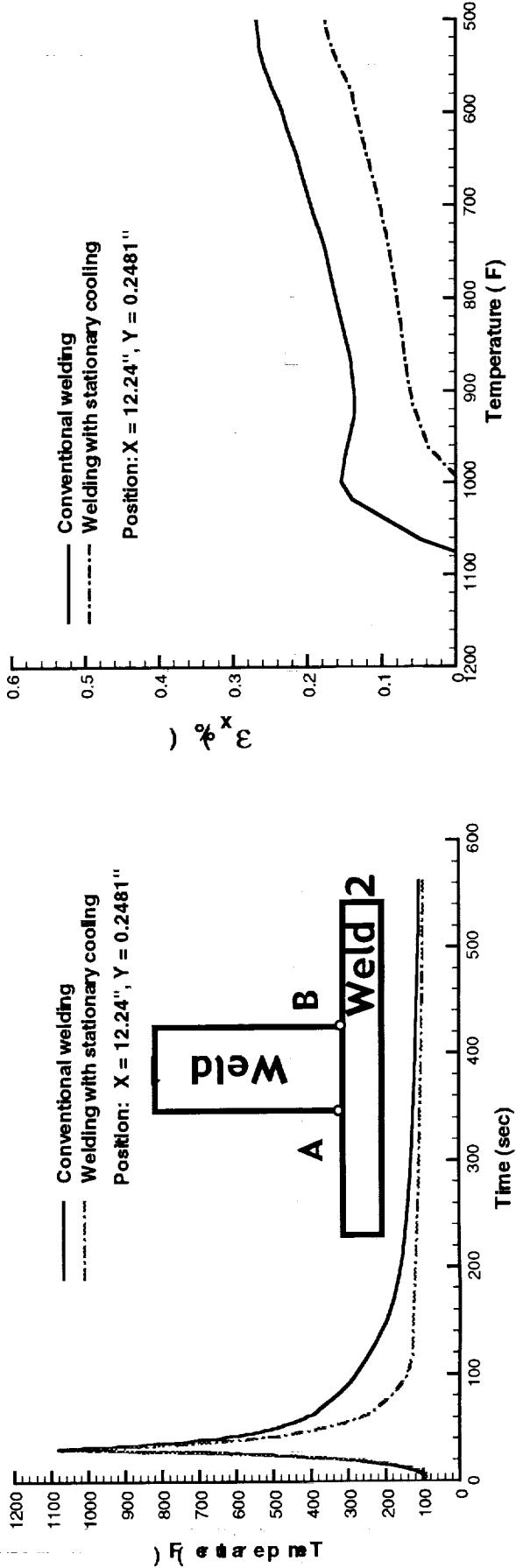


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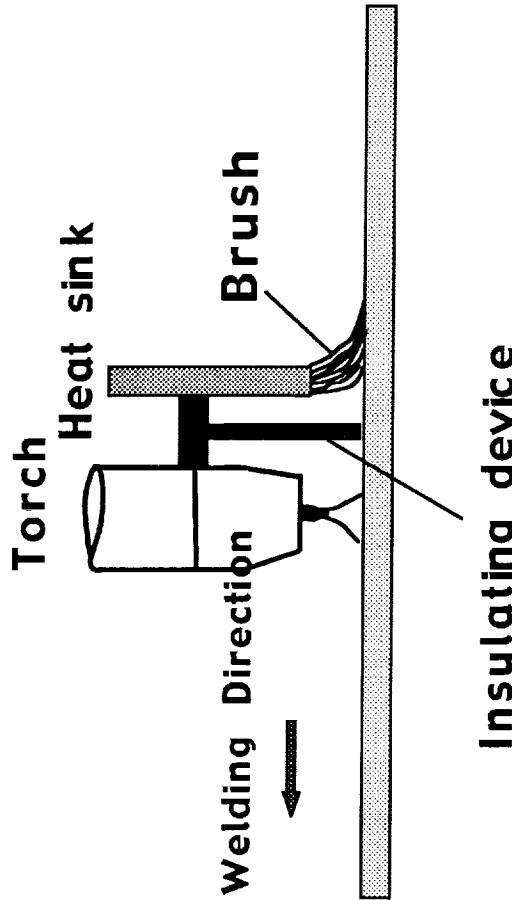
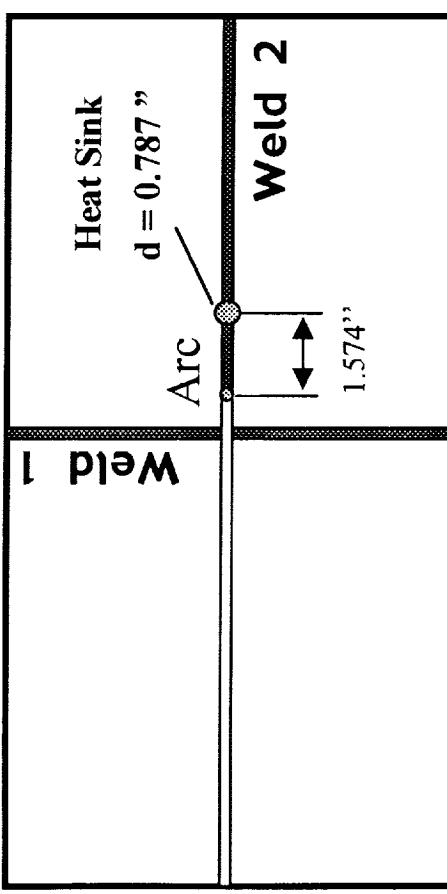
Temperature and Longitudinal Tensile Strain of Intersection during Welding (Point A)



(Point B)



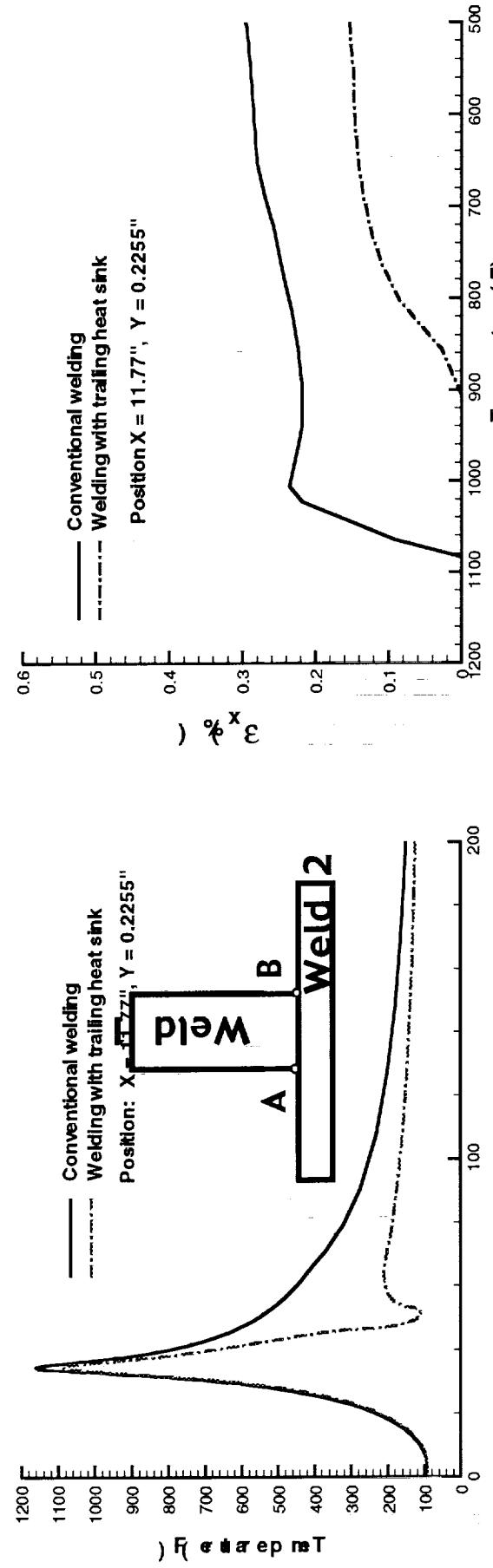
Proposed Trailing Heat Sink Tech



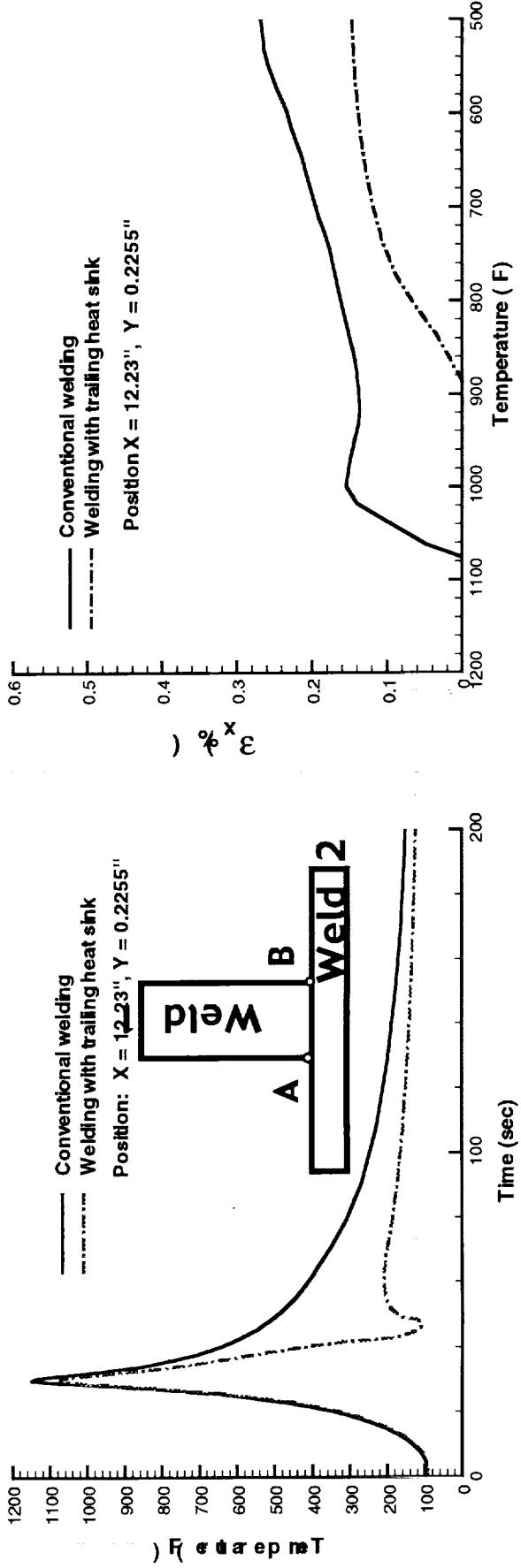
Cooling media option: Liquid nitrogen or Pressurized air knife

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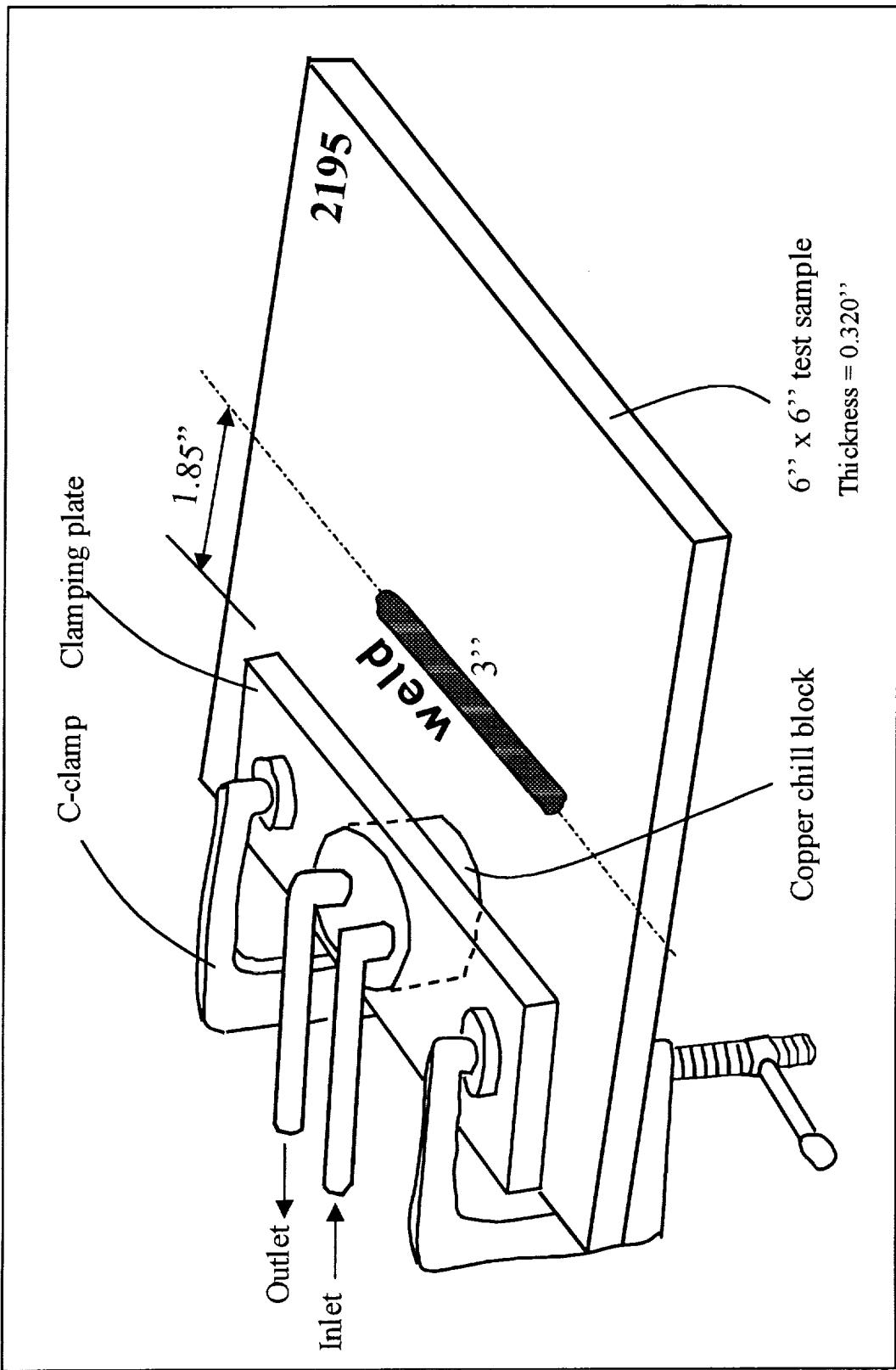
Temperature and Longitudinal Tensile Strain of Intersection during Welding Heat Sink Technique (Point A)



(Point B)



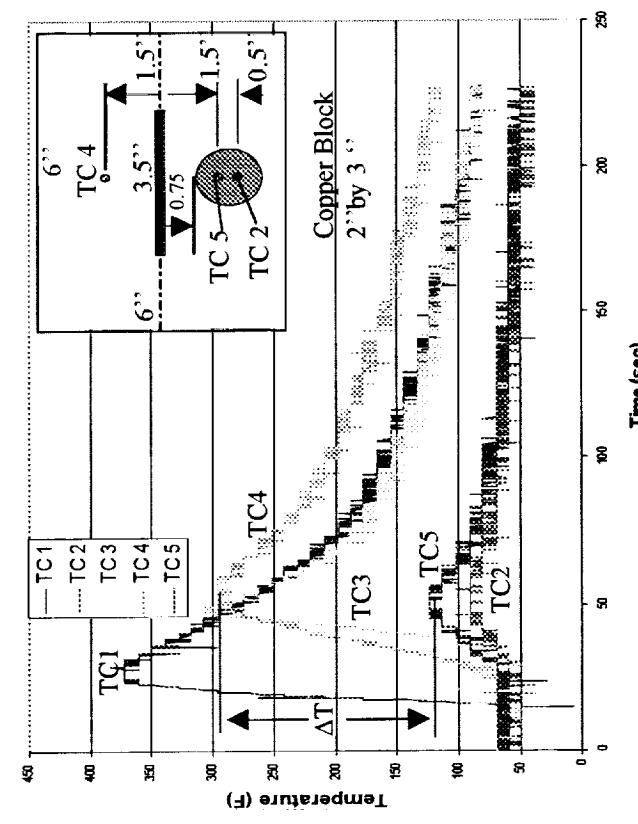
Varestraint Machine Chill Block Test Setup



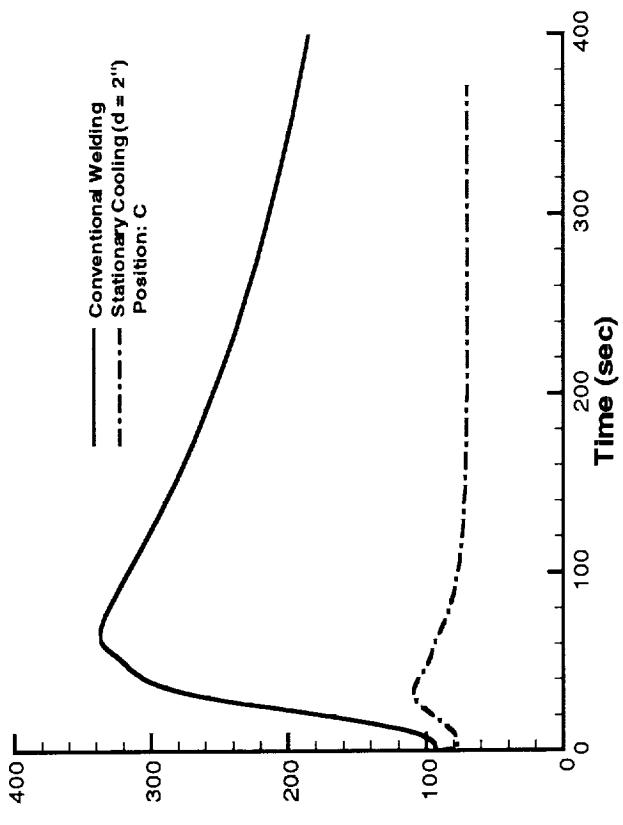
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Temperature Difference (ΔT) induced by Chill Block

wld12997.010 Pre - Chilled Copper Block in Fig. 28



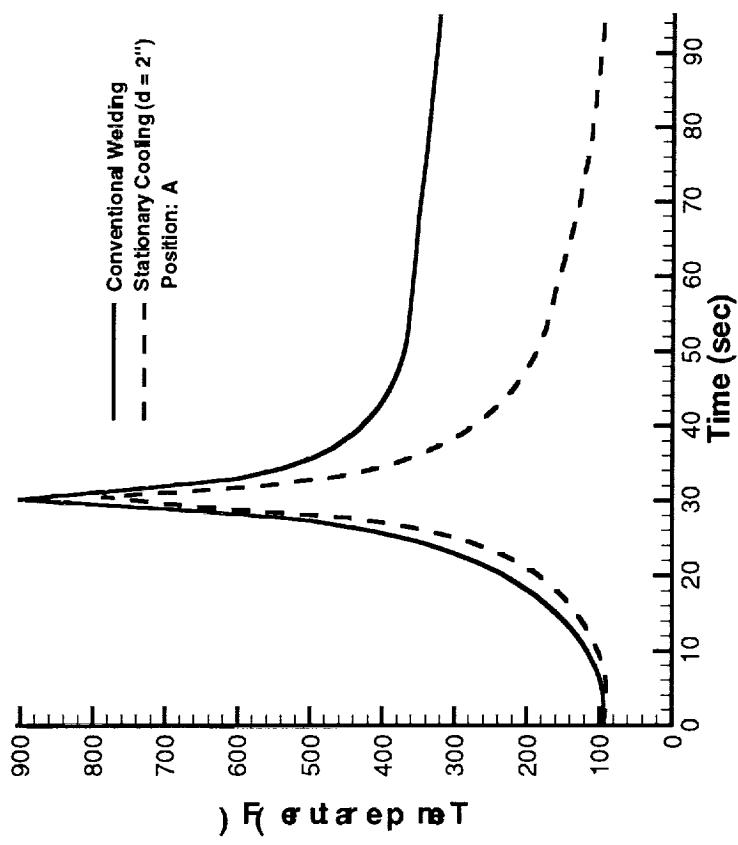
(a) Measured Temperature



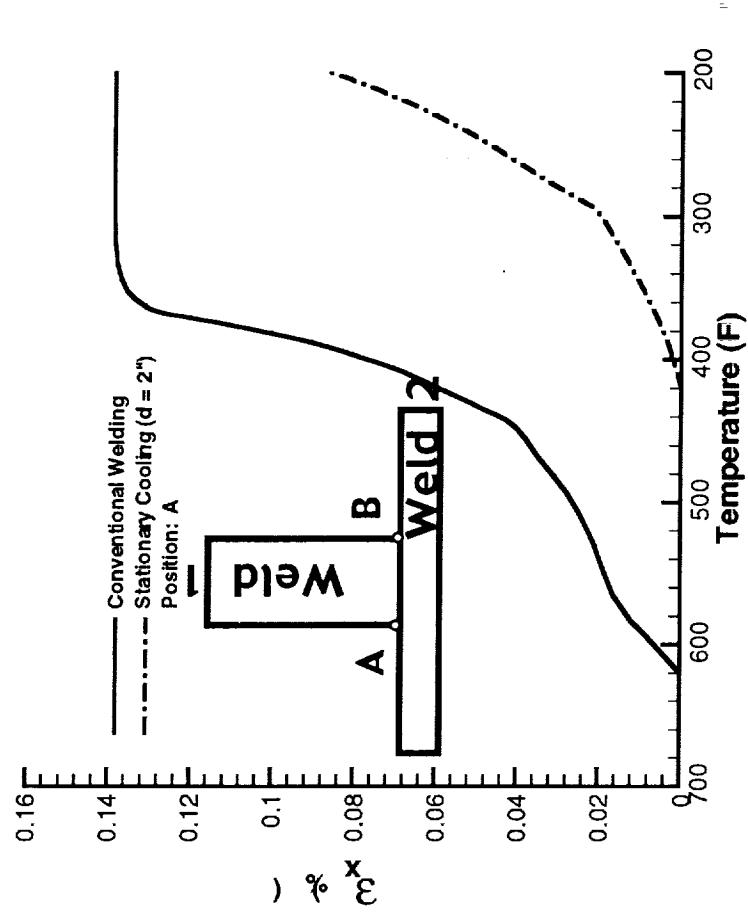
(a) Predicted Temperature

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Temperature and Strain History at Point A

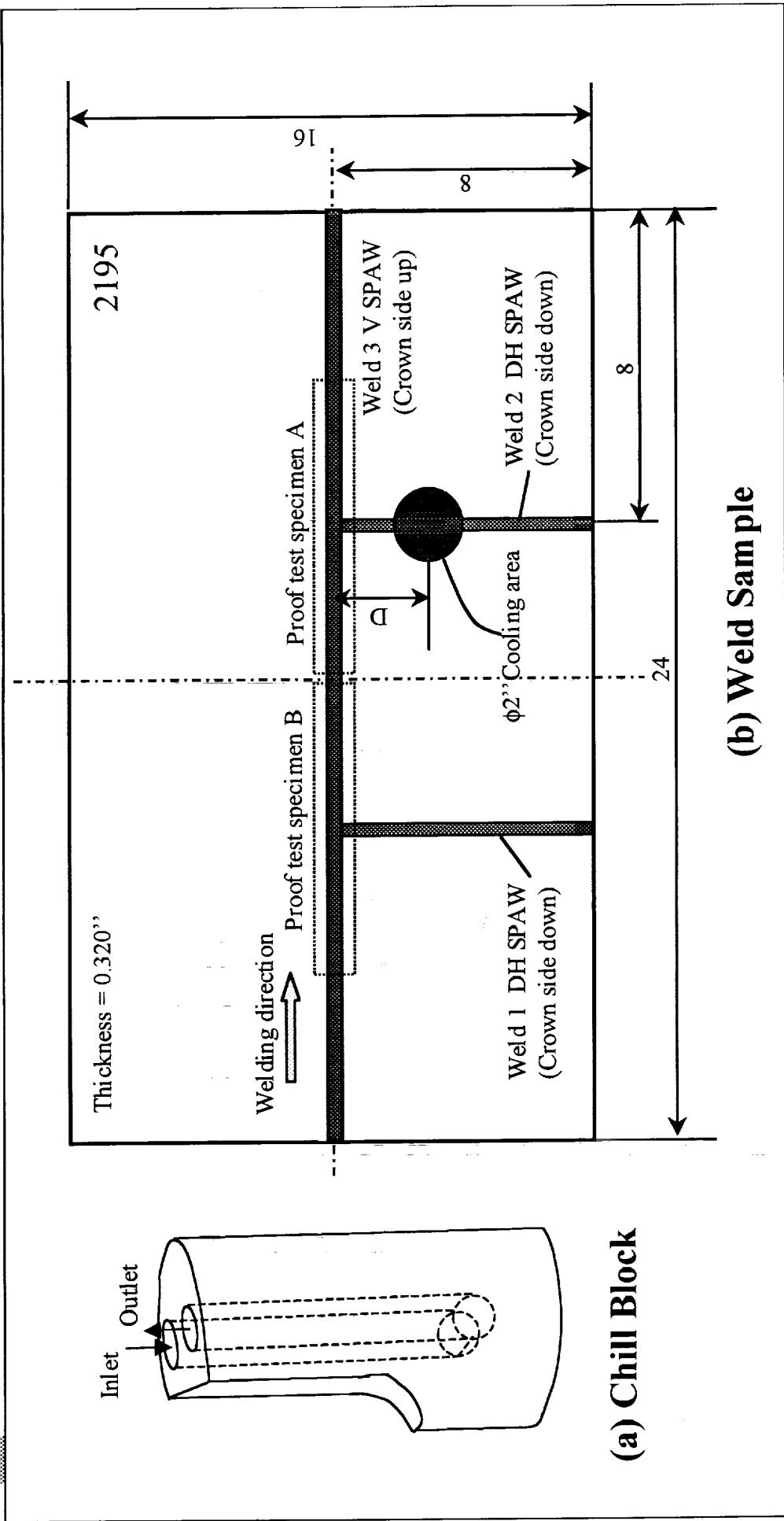


(a) Temperature
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(b) Longitudinal tensile strain

“Quick Look” Intersection Weld Test for Stationary Heat Sinking Evaluation



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Summary and Future Work

- Two concepts, stationary cooling and trailing cooling, were proposed to prevent weld intersection cracking. Finite element analysis was used to demonstrate the potential effectiveness of those two concepts.
- Both stationary and trailing heat sink setups were proposed for preventing intersection cracking. The cooling media could be liquid nitrogen, or pressured air knife.
- Welding experiments on the small test panel with the localized heat sink confirmed the feasibility of using such a stationary cooling technique. The required cooling was achieved in this test panel.
- Systematic welding experiments should be conducted in the future to validate and refine the heat sink technique for preventing intersection cracking.